



# UB Highlights

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## President's Welcome Back for all staff

*Thursday, September 3, 10 a.m.*

All UB staff members are invited to the DuPont Tower Room of the Bernhard Center to hear President Salonen's update on the University and a discussion of the year ahead. Beverages will be offered.



## Library Open House

*Thursday, September 10, 1-5 p.m.*

Faculty are welcome to enjoy an open house in the Learning Commons (1st floor) of Wahlstrom Library, where they will have the opportunity to learn more about the new systems and resources available to them.



## Day Trip to NYC

*Saturday, September 5, 8:45 a.m.*

Hop on a double-decker bus and take a guided tour of the Big Apple. Cost is \$20, including transportation and a 2-hour private tour of New York City. Meals and other sightseeing activities are separate. Sign up in the lobby of the Student Center. Buses return to campus at 9 p.m.



## Rep. Jim Himes on Campus

Our congressman visited UB's ConnCAP Pre-Engineering Program on August 3, spending about an hour with more than 60 local 7th-12th grade students who study math and science at UB on Saturdays during the school year and for 6 weeks each summer. Education Professor Asaad Samaan directs the program.



EAST COAST  
CONFERENCE

**Purple Knights  
Home Athletic Events  
September 1-15, 2009**

### Men's and Women's Cross-Country

**Sept. 12 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m. @ Fairfield University  
Invitational**

### Men's Soccer

**Sept. 15 (Tues.), 6 p.m., Felician @ Knights Field**

### Women's Soccer

**Sept. 6 (Sun.), 6 p.m., Post @ Knights Field**

### Volleyball (Women's)

**Sept. 4 (Fri.), 11 a.m., Caldwell @ Hubbell Gym  
(UB Tourney)**

**Sept. 4 (Fri.), 7 p.m., UMass-Lowell @ Hubbell  
Gym (UB Tourney)**

**Sept. 5 (Sat.), 5 p.m., Holy Family @ Hubbell  
Gym (UB Tourney)**

**Sept. 5 (Sat.), 7 p.m., Merrimack @ Hubbell Gym  
(UB Tourney)**

**Sept. 10 (Thurs.), 7 p.m., Concordia @ Hubbell  
Gym**

## Opening Events, Sept. 1-15

**Tuesday, Sept. 1, 3 p.m.:** Athletic Convocation,  
Knights Field (Hubbell Gym if rain)

**Thursday, Sept. 3, 10 a.m.:** President's welcome  
back meeting for staff, Tower Room

**Friday, Sept. 4, 10 a.m.:** ELAB Exams, Carlson 202

**Wednesday, Sept. 9, 4-6 p.m.:** Fall Activity Fair for  
students, Ped Mall (Student Center if rain)

**Thursday, Sept. 10, 1-5 p.m.:** Faculty welcome back  
open house, Learning Commons, Wahlstrom

**Friday, Sept. 11:**

- Last day to apply for December graduation
- Immigration and personal safety meeting for international students, Private Dining Room of Student Center

**Friday-Sunday, Sept. 11-13:** Chiropractic National  
Board Exams, Carlson

**Monday, Sept. 14:** Last day to add courses

**Monday, September 7**

**Labor Day Holiday**

**No classes, administrative offices closed**

# UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

## STUDENTS & ALUMNI

### ATHLETICS

**UB Women's Soccer** has been ranked 19<sup>th</sup> in the country in the NCAA Division II pre-season poll done by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America and Adidas. Head Coach **Magnus Nilerud** will enter his eleventh coaching season this fall at his alma mater.

### ***You might have missed . . .***

**May 1:** The UB College of Chiropractic held its third annual spring golf tournament, with eight 2-player teams. Dr. David Brady and Dr. Chris Good were victorious, with a final score of 70 (2 under par). The club is open to the UB community. For more information, write to [cgood@bridgeport.edu](mailto:cgood@bridgeport.edu).

**June 5:** As part of its 10<sup>th</sup> annual IMPACT Day, a national day of service involving more than 40,000 of its employees, Deloitte joined with UB's School of Business to offer free seminars for local small businesses and entrepreneurs. Topics addressed included effective management of personal and business finances, harnessing technology to enhance business presentations, an industry perspective on the economy, and how to navigate the global downturn.

**July-August:** UB's health experts teamed up with the Bridgeport YMCA during the Y's summer 2009 Family Wellness Lecture and Exercise Series. Sessions were held evenings, with 40 minutes of exercise and games for all ages, followed by lectures presented by faculty from our Colleges of Chiropractic and Naturopathic Medicine and the Acupuncture Institute.

**August 20:** More than 1,100 Fairfield County students attended the Back-to-School Youth Education Summit co-hosted by the University of Bridgeport and the Bridgeport schools. Events included role-playing skits, presentations by Dr. Steve Perry, author of *Man Up! Nobody's Coming to Save Us*, and performances by Status Quo.

## FACULTY & STAFF

### NUTRITION INSTITUTE

**David Brady**, director, discussed heart health on August 24 as part of the Stratford Public Library's monthly health talks series. The next talk, on September 22, will be presented by **Karen Siclare**, assistant director, on "Daily Stress: Causes, Effects and Remedies."

### *Good News*

UB's School of Engineering boasts more engineering graduate students than any other university in Connecticut, and it has the second-largest enrollment in New England, according to a survey of engineering schools released in June by the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE). In addition, more engineering master's degree students graduate from UB than from any other school in the state, and our graduation rates are the second-highest in New England, after MIT. Although engineering students are increasing nationally, Dean Tarek Sobh says our success is "because of new programs, like biomedical engineering, that are interdisciplinary and real. They're designed for people to go on and do research or get a job. Our kids get out ready to work. We also have internship with 600 companies."

UB has signed a memorandum of understanding to accept Iraqi undergraduate and graduate students, providing them with \$5,000-\$12,000 undergraduate scholarships annually and other financial assistance to graduate students. Visiting professors will be on campus for up to a year. The MOU between UB and Al-Qadisiyah University in Iraq was brokered with help from the U.S. State Department, and negotiations began in January 2009, when UB was among 20 U.S. universities to send admissions officers to Iraq, at the invitation of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, to participate in a series of recruitment programs held in Baghdad and Sulaymaniyah.

**Did we miss something?** *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, [UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu](mailto:UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu), or call x4988.